

## ON-DEMAND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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## ON-DEMAND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

## 1.0 PURPOSE

The intent of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to obtain firm fixed price proposals from firms specializing in providing on-demand transportation services for clients with special needs. It is the County of Loudoun's (County) intention to select a pool of transportation providers as a result of this RFP. The number of providers awarded contracts will be dependent on the number and quality of proposals received. The County does not guarantee a minimum amount of services to any one contractor.

#### 2.0 COMPETITION INTENDED

It is the County's intent that this RFP permits competition. It shall be the offeror's responsibility to advise the Purchasing Agent in writing if any language, requirement, specification, etc., or any combination thereof, inadvertently restricts or limits the requirements stated in this RFP to a single source. Such notification must be received by the Purchasing Agent not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the date set for acceptance of proposals.

## 3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The County has been contracting for on-demand transportation services since 1994. For this fiscal year, FY21, the budget for this program is \$125,000.

The County's clients that utilize the on-demand transportation services have demonstrated a financial or supportive need for access to transportation, and many of them are elderly and/or utilize ambulatory equipment. Transportation providers are selected to service clients based on the following criteria: availability, wheelchair accessibility, time of day, distance, required wait time, and cost.

Currently, the program has five (5) clients who require three (3) round trip rides per week from Leesburg, Virginia to Charlottesville, Virginia. This number fluctuates throughout the year. A few our clients also utilize wheelchairs. In addition to the Department of Family Services, which will administer this program, several other County departments will refer clients to this service. These departments include Mental Health, Substance Abuse & Developmental Services (MHSADS) and the Health Department. In addition, referrals are accepted from local healthcare providers, such as the Health Works of Northern Virginia and the Loudoun Free Clinic. Since there is no way to quantify the amount of transportation services that will be required, the County cannot guarantee a specific amount of service to be provided.

## 4.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES

All proposals must be made on the basis of and either <u>meet or exceed</u>, the requirements contained herein. All offerors must be able to provide the following.

## 4.1 Contractor's Responsibilities:

- A. Efficient Operations. The Contractor shall maintain a staff of professional employees essential for the efficient operation of services requested by the County. Contractor shall:
  - Possess and ensure its dispatch service is capable of handling advanced reservations as well as emergency requests. The dispatch service must be able to receive and confirm requests via telephone, text, fax, and e-mail within a 24-hour timeframe from receipt of a request.
  - 2. Guarantee automobile transportation services for all Loudoun County residents participating in the On-Demand Transportation Services program.
  - 3. Possess and utilize a two-way communication system linking all vehicles with dispatchers. The dispatchers shall be employees of the Contractor.
  - 4. Visibly display, on its vehicles and in all communications whether verbal or in writing, the company name/logo for identification purposes whenever the Contractor is providing services to the County clients.
  - 5. Call the clients' listed contact number fifteen (15) minutes prior to arriving at the scheduled time and location.
  - 6. Possess the capability of providing the same language drivers as the clients being transported.
- B. Routine Vehicle Maintenance. Contractor shall:
  - 1. Maintain its vehicle fleet in mechanically sound, safe and reliable operating condition.
  - 2. Be liable for all vehicle costs including insurance, fuel, repairs, tire replacement, and preventive maintenance of the vehicle.
  - 3. Keep all vehicles clean and free of trash, dirt and debris.
  - 4. Ensure all vehicles meet applicable state and local vehicle licensing, safety inspection, emission, and insurance requirements.
  - 5. Ensure all required state or local decals, stickers, and/or license plates are properly displayed on all vehicles. Operator's license and certificates are visible and properly displayed within all vehicles.
  - 6. Ensure all vehicle maintenance services are performed by mechanics who are qualified through factory or other certified training to work on the vehicles.

- C. Adherence of Schedule Guidelines. At the request of the County, Contractor shall:
  - 1. Transport clients to destinations within County and outside of the County. Destinations include but are not limited to:
    - a. Charlottesville, Virginia
    - b. District of Columbia
    - c. Fairfax, Virginia
    - d. Manassas, Virginia
  - Provide transportation services as needed on weekdays, weekends, evenings, holidays and during business and nonbusiness hours.
  - 3. Be responsible for picking up clients on time (ranging between 15 minutes before the scheduled pick up time and 15 minutes after the scheduled pick-up time).
  - 4. Be responsible for transporting clients to their destinations on time.
- D. Qualifications of Drivers. Contractor shall provide a list with its proposal submission of its drivers that are employed by the Contractor. The list will also include confirmation that each driver has met each of the following qualifications for operating a passenger vehicle.
  - 1. Driver has met all state and federal requirements.
  - 2. Driver has a valid state driver's license.
  - 3. Driver does not have any revocations of driver's license in the past five (5) years.
  - 4. Drive does not have any moving violations or accidents in the past three (3) years.
  - 5. Driver does not have any convictions for driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
  - 6. Driver holds an active certification for formal ADA training in the procedure and operation of specialized equipment such as wheelchair lifts.
  - 7. Driver has "clear" national criminal background check and Child Protective Services (CPS) background check (this must be completed prior to award to the successful offeror).
- E. Drivers' Responsibilities shall include:
  - 1. Visual confirmation that clients have entered their destination safely and successfully.

- 2. Professionalism and courtesy with all clients.
- 3. Assisting clients entering and exiting the vehicle.
- 4. Assistance with wheelchairs and stowage of mobility aids.
- 5. Abstaining from smoking, consuming alcohol or drugs while on duty or in the presence of clients.
- 6. Shall not request or accept additional payments or tips.
- F. Contractor Accountability. The Contractor shall be held responsible for the actions of their personnel. The Contractor shall:
  - 1. Be responsible for paying all tolls, parking, and other related fees.
  - 2. Be responsible for all fines and/or violations incurred by Contractor's personnel while in performance of this Contract.
  - 3. Be responsible for submitting an incident report to include, but not limited to, any incident between a driver and a client. Reports must be submitted to the County Contract Manager within twenty-four (24) hours of the incident.
  - 4. Be responsible for personnel relations, supervising, training, and performance of the employees.
  - 5. Safeguard the confidentiality of clients' personal information.
  - 6. Provide a copy of the Contractor's personnel and operating policy and procedures to the County's Contract Manager.
- G. Vehicle Safety. Vehicle fleets shall meet all applicable federal and state vehicle safety standards in addition to the following requirements:
  - 1. Adequate heating and air conditioning.
  - 2. Adequate seating space and properly working restraints for all seats.
  - 3. Accessible and properly working seat belts for all passengers.
  - 4. Meet ADA requirements for safe transport including wheelchair lifts and securement system.
  - 5. Operating windows, doors, and locks.
  - 6. Keep passenger seating area clean. Seating area must not have torn upholstery, broken seats, and floor and ceiling will be intact and clean.
- H. *Collaborative Communication*: The Contractor shall actively work with the County to support collaboration. The Contractor shall:
  - 1. Attend Contract kickoff meeting after the award of the

Contract.

- 2. Promptly communicate any instance of miscommunication, such as administrative errors, misunderstandings of information, and notify the County Contract Manager as soon as possible.
- 3. Fulfill County requests for Monthly Trip Summaries and other reporting documents within forty-eight (48) hours of the request.
- 4. Immediately communicate any capacity issues.
- 5. Immediately notify the County Contract Manager with any operational changes due to traffic and/or weather conditions.
- I. Satisfy COVID-19 Safety Requirements: The Contactor shall ensure the safety of clients in the prevention of spreading COVID-19. The Contractor shall:
  - Adhere to the Centers for Disease Control Prevention (CDC) guidance for rideshare, taxi, limo, and other passenger drivers-for-hire at the following link: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/rideshare-drivers-for-hire.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/rideshare-drivers-for-hire.html</a>
  - 2. Share an organization-specific, CDC-compliant COVID-19 safety plan with the County.
  - 3. Respond to inquiries from the County regarding customer feedback that include COVID-19 concerns during business.
- 4.2 <u>County Responsibilities</u>: The County will be expected to perform the following duties in respect to the Contract:
  - A. Notify the Contractor when a client needs transportation within fortyeight (48) hours for local and nearby-county appointments and seventy-two (72) hours for farther appointments such as the University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville, Virginia. The Contractor shall be notified via fax, e-mail, or telephone call of a transportation request.
  - B. Notify the Contractor(s) if a certain vehicle type is preferred to transport a client.
  - C. Immediately notify the Contractor when the terms of a ride have been changed (e.g., change in pick-up time, location, vehicle type, etc.) or when the ride is canceled.
  - D. Respond to Contractor's inquiries within two (2) business days.
  - E. The County reserves the right to request the following from the Contractor:
    - 1. Vehicle inspection report for current official inspection stickers.

- 2. Restrict driver-client combinations in response to unresolved customer service concerns.
- 3. Annual Driver's Report, license and drug and alcohol test report for any driver.

## 5.0 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Agreement for Service ("Agreement") with the successful offeror will contain the following Terms and Conditions. Offerors taking exception to these terms and conditions or intending to propose additional or alternative language must (a) identify with specificity the County Terms and Conditions to which they take exception or seek to amend or replace; and (b) include any additional or different language with their proposal. Failure to both identify with specificity those terms and conditions offeror takes exception to or seeks to amend or replace as well as to provide offeror's additional or alternate Agreement terms may result in rejection of the proposal. While the County may accept additional or different language if so provided with the proposal, the Terms and Conditions marked with an asterisk (\*) are mandatory and non-negotiable.

## 5.1 Procedures

The extent and character of the services to be performed by the Contractor shall be subject to the general control and approval of the Director of Family Services or his/her authorized representative(s). The Contractor shall not comply with requests and/or orders issued by other than the Director of Family Services or his/her authorized representative(s) acting within their authority for the County. Any change to the Agreement must be approved in writing by the Division of Procurement and the Contractor.

#### 5.2 Term

The Agreement shall cover the period from August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022, or an equivalent period depending upon date of Contract award.

This Agreement may be renewed at the expiration of the initial term at the request of the County. The renewal may be for up to four (4) additional one (1) year periods. Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties or as may be required by law, any renewal shall be based on the same prices, terms and conditions as the initial term.

## 5.3 <u>Delays and Deficient Performance</u>

Time is of the essence. The Contractor must keep the County advised at all times of the status of Contractor's performance under the Agreement. If a delay in performance is foreseen, the Contractor shall give immediate written notice to the Division of Procurement. Should the Contractor fail to perform its contractual obligations within the time period specified in the Agreement, or within a reasonable period of time thereafter as agreed to in writing by the Division of Procurement, or should the Contractor fail to cure its deficient

performance as required by the County, the County may terminate this Agreement as set forth in section 5.22 below.

## 5.4 <u>Business, Professional, and Occupational License Requirement</u>

All firms or individuals located or doing business in Loudoun County are required to be licensed in accordance with the County's Business, Professional, and Occupational Licensing (BPOL) Tax Ordinance throughout the entire term of the Agreement including any renewals.

Wholesale and retail merchants <u>without</u> a business location in Loudoun County are exempt from this requirement. Questions concerning the BPOL Tax should be directed to the Office of Commissioner of Revenue, telephone (703) 777-0260.

## 5.5 Payment of Taxes

All Contractors located or owning property in Loudoun County shall assure that all real and personal property taxes are paid.

The County will verify payment of all real and personal property taxes by the Contractor prior to the award of any Agreement or Agreement renewal.

#### 5.6 Insurance

- A. The Contractor shall be responsible for its work and every part thereof, and for all materials, tools, equipment, appliances, and property of any and all description used in connection therewith. The Contractor assumes all risk of direct and indirect damage or injury to the property or persons used or employed on or in connection with the work contracted for, and of all damage or injury to any person or property wherever located, resulting from any action, omission, commission, or operation under the Agreement.
- B. The Contractor and all subcontractors shall, during the continuance of all work under the Agreement provide the following:
  - Workers' compensation and Employer's Liability to protect the Contractor from any liability or damages for any injuries (including death and disability) to any and all of its employees, including any and all liability or damage which may arise by virtue of any statute or law in force within the Commonwealth of Virginia.
  - 2. Comprehensive General Liability insurance to protect the Contractor, and the interest of the County, its officers, employees, and agents against any and all injuries to third parties, including bodily injury and personal injury, wherever located, resulting from any action or operation under the Agreement or in connection with the contracted work. The General Liability insurance shall also include the Broad Form Property Damage endorsement, in addition to coverage for

- explosion, collapse, and underground hazards, where required.
- 3. Automobile Liability insurance, covering all owned, non-owned, borrowed, leased, or rented vehicles operated by the Contractor.
- 4. Professional Liability against any and all wrongful acts, errors, or omissions on the part of the Contractor resulting from any action or operation under the Agreement or in connection with the contracted work.
- C. The Contractor agrees to provide the above referenced policies with the following limits. Liability insurance limits may be arranged by General Liability and Automobile policies for the full limits required, or by a combination of underlying policies for lesser limits with the remaining limits provided by an Excess or Umbrella Liability policy.

1. Workers' Compensation:

Coverage A:	Statutory
Coverage B:	\$100,000

2. General Liability:

Per Occurrence:	\$1,000,000
Personal/Advertising Injury:	\$1,000,000
General Aggregate:	\$2,000,000
Products/Completed Operations:	\$2,000,000

aggregate

Fire Damage Legal Liability: \$100,000

## GL Coverage, excluding Products and Completed Operations, should be on a Per Project Basis

3. Automobile Liability:

Combined Single Limit: \$1,000,000

- D. The following provisions shall be agreed to by the Contractor:
  - No change, cancellation, or non-renewal shall be made in any insurance coverage without a forty-five (45) day written notice to the County. The Contractor shall furnish a new certificate prior to any change or cancellation date. The failure of the Contractor to deliver a new and valid certificate will result in suspension of all payments until the new certificate is furnished.
  - 2. Liability Insurance "Claims Made" basis:

If the liability insurance purchased by the Contractor has been issued on a "claims made" basis, the Contractor must comply with the following additional conditions. The limits of liability and the extensions to be included as described previously in

these provisions, remain the same. The Contractor must either:

- a. Agree to provide certificates of insurance evidencing the above coverage for a period of two (2) years after final payment for the Agreement for General Liability policies. This certificate shall evidence a "retroactive date" no later than the beginning of the Contractor's work under this Agreement, or
- b. Purchase the extended reporting period endorsement for the policy or policies in force during the term of this Agreement and evidence the purchase of this extended reporting period endorsement by means of a certificate of insurance or a copy of the endorsement itself.
- 3. The Contractor must disclose the amount of deductible/self-insured retention applicable to the General Liability and Automobile Liability. The County reserves the right to request additional information to determine if the Contractor has the financial capacity to meet its obligations under a deductible/self-insured plan. If this provision is utilized, the Contractor will be permitted to provide evidence of its ability to fund the deductible/self-insured retention.
- 4. a. The Contractor agrees to provide insurance issued by companies admitted within the Commonwealth of Virginia, with the Best's Key Rating of at least A:VII.
  - b. European markets including those based in London, and the domestic surplus lines market that operate on a non-admitted basis are exempt from this requirement provided that the Contractor's broker can provide financial data to establish that a market's policyholder surpluses are equal to or exceed the surpluses that correspond to Best's A:VII Rating.
- 5. a. The Contractor will provide an original signed Certificate of Insurance and such endorsements as prescribed herein.
  - b. The Contractor will provide on request certified copies of all insurance coverage related to the Contract within ten (10) business days of request by the County. These certified copies will be sent to the County from the Contractor's insurance agent or representative. Any request made under this provision will be deemed confidential and proprietary.

- c. Any certificates provided shall indicate the Contract name and number.
- 6. The County, its officers and employees shall be Endorsed to the Contractor's Automobile and General Liability policies as an "additional insured" with the provision that this coverage "is primary to all other coverage the County may possess." (Use "loss payee" where there is an insurable interest). A Certificate of Insurance evidencing the additional insured status must be presented to the County along with a copy of the Endorsement.
- 7. Compliance by the Contractor with the foregoing requirements as to carrying insurance shall not relieve the Contractor of their liabilities provisions of the Agreement.
- E. Precaution shall be exercised at all times for the protection of persons (including employees) and property.
- F. The Contractor is to comply with the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, Public Law 91-956, as it may apply to this Contract.
- G. If an "ACORD" Insurance Certificate form is used by the Contractor's insurance agent, the words "endeavor to" and ". . . but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability of any kind upon the company" in the "Cancellation" paragraph of the form shall be deleted.
- H. The Contractor agrees to waive all rights of subrogation against the County, its officers, employees, and agents.

#### 5.7 Hold Harmless

The Contractor shall, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County from loss from all suits, actions, or claims of any kind brought as a consequence of any act or omission by the Contractor. The Contractor agrees that this clause shall include claims involving infringement of patent or copyright. For purposes of this paragraph, "County" and "Contractor" includes their employees, officials, agents, and representatives. "Contractor" also includes subcontractors and suppliers to the Contractor. The word "defend" means to provide legal counsel for the County or to reimburse the County for its attorneys' fees and costs related to the claim. This section shall survive the Agreement. The County is prohibited from indemnifying Contractor and/or any other third parties.

## 5.8 Safety

All Contractors and subcontractors performing services for the County are required to and shall comply with all Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), State and County Safety and Occupational Health Standards and any other applicable rules and regulations. Also, all Contractors and subcontractors shall be held responsible for the safety of their

employees and any unsafe acts or conditions that may cause injury or damage to any persons or property within and around the work site area under this Agreement.

## 5.9 Permits

It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to comply with County ordinances by securing any necessary permits. The County will waive any fees involved in securing County permits.

## 5.10 Notice of Required Disability Legislation Compliance \*

The County government is required to comply with state and federal disability legislation: The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504, The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) for 1990 Title II and The Virginians with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Specifically, Loudoun County, may not, through its contractual and/or financial arrangements, directly or indirectly avoid compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Public Law 101-336, which prohibits discrimination by public entities on the basis of disability. Subtitle A protects qualified individuals with disability from discrimination on the basis of disability in the services, programs, or activities of all state and local governments. It extends the prohibition of discrimination in federally assisted programs established by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504 to all activities of state and local governments, including those that do not receive federal financial assistance, and incorporates specific prohibitions of discrimination on the basis of disability in Titles I, III, and V of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Virginians with Disabilities Act of 1990 follows the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504.

#### 5.11 Ethics in Public Contracting \*

The provisions contained in §§ 2.2-4367 through 2.2-4377 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act as set forth in the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, shall be applicable to all Contracts solicited or entered into by the County. A copy of these provisions may be obtained from the Purchasing Agent upon request.

The above-stated provisions supplement, but do not supersede, other provisions of law including, but not limited to, the Virginia State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (§ 2.2-3100 et seq.), the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act (§ 18.2-498.1 et seq.) and Articles 2 and 3 of Chapter 10 of Title 18.2. The provisions apply notwithstanding the fact that the conduct described may not constitute a violation of the Virginia State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Acta violation of the Virginia State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act.

## 5.12 Employment Discrimination by Contractors Prohibited \*

Every Agreement of over \$10,000 shall include the following provisions:

- A. During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees as follows:
  - The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, status as a service-disabled veteran, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
  - 2. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, shall state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
  - 3. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient to meet this requirement.
- B. The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs, 1, 2, and 3 in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

## 5.13 <u>Drug-free Workplace</u> \*

Every Agreement over \$10,000 shall include the following provision:

During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purposes of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific Agreement awarded to a Contractor in accordance with this chapter, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Agreement.

## 5.14 Faith-Based Organizations \*

The County does not discriminate against faith-based organizations.

## 5.15 Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 \*

By entering this Agreement, the Contractor certifies that it does not and will not during the performance of this Agreement violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which prohibits employment of illegal aliens.

## 5.16 Substitutions

NO substitutions or cancellations are permitted after Agreement award without written approval by the Division of Procurement. Where specific employees are proposed by the Contractor for the work, those employees shall perform the work as long as those employees work for the Contractor, either as employees or subcontractors, unless the County agrees to a substitution. Requests for substitutions will be reviewed by the County and approval may be given by the County at its sole discretion.

#### 5.17 Workmanship and Inspection

All work under this Agreement shall be performed in a skillful and workmanlike manner. The Contractor and its employees shall be professional and courteous at all times. The County reserves the right to require immediate removal of any Contractor employee from County service it deems unfit for service for any reason, not contrary to law. This right is non-negotiable and the Contractor agrees to this condition by accepting this Agreement. Further, the County may, from time to time, make inspections of the work performed under the Agreement. Any inspection by the County does not relieve the Contractor of any responsibility in meeting the Agreement requirements.

The Contractor will have all employees working wear a uniform and have photo identification (frontal face). This identification must be prominently displayed at all times. No one with a felony conviction may be employed under this Agreement. The Contractor MUST remove any employee from County service who is convicted of a felony during his or her employment.

#### 5.18 Exemption from Taxes \*

Pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-609.1, the County is exempt from Virginia State Sales or Use Taxes and Federal Excise Tax, therefore the Contractor shall not charge the County for Virginia State Sales or Use Taxes or Federal Excise Tax on the finished goods or products provided under the Agreement. However, this exemption does not apply to the Contractor, and the Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of any sales, use, or excise tax it incurs in providing the goods required by the Agreement, including, but not limited to, taxes on materials purchased by a Contractor for incorporation in or use on a construction project. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Contractor from including its own sales tax expense in connection with the Agreement in its Agreement price.

## 5.19 Ordering, Invoicing and Payment

Upon delivery and acceptance of the service, the Contractor shall submit an invoice by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month detailing the appropriate charges for services provided the previous month.

Invoices shall be submitted to:

County of Loudoun, Virginia Department of Family Services 102 Heritage Way, Suite 103 Leesburg, VA 20176

Attn: Colleen Stiles

Any invoice for final payment under the Agreement must be submitted within thirty (30) days after completion of final service.

Upon receipt of invoice and final inspection and acceptance of the service, the County will render payment within thirty (30) days unless any items thereon are questioned, in which event payment will be withheld pending verification of the amount claimed and the validity of the claim. The Contractor shall provide complete cooperation during any such investigation. Unless invoice items are questioned, the interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month for any late payments.

## 5.20 Payments to Subcontractors \*

Within seven (7) days after receipt of amounts paid by the County for work performed by a subcontractor under this Agreement, the Contractor shall either:

- A. Pay the subcontractor for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the County attributable to the work performed by the subcontractor under this Contract; or
- B. Notify the County and subcontractor, in writing, of his intention to withhold all or a part of the subcontractor's payment and the reason for non-payment.

The Contractor shall pay interest to the subcontractor on all amounts owed that remain unpaid beyond the seven (7) day period except for amounts withheld as allowed in item B. above.

Unless otherwise provided under the terms of this Agreement, interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month.

The Contractor shall include in each of its subcontracts a provision requiring each subcontractor to include or otherwise be subject to the same payment and interest requirements as set forth above with respect to each lower-tier subcontractor.

The Contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor pursuant to this provision may not be construed to be an obligation of the County.

## 5.21 Assignment \*

The Agreement may not be assigned in whole or in part without the prior written consent of the Division of Procurement. The rights and obligations of the Contractor are personal and may be performed only by the Contractor. Any purported assignment that does not comply with this provision is void. This Agreement is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective permitted successors and assigns.

## 5.22 <u>Termination</u>

Subject to the provisions below, this Agreement may be terminated by the County as follows.

#### A. Termination for Convenience

The County may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, at any time without cause upon giving the Contractor a thirty (30) day advance written notice of such termination. Following the notice, the Contractor shall prepare for the termination by mitigating any losses it may incur to the extent practicable. Upon expiration of the thirty (30) days and unless otherwise agreed by the parties in writing, the Contractor shall immediately cease its performance of the Agreement and take such steps as County may require to assign to the County the Contractor's interest in all warranties, subcontracts. and purchase orders designated by County. After such steps have been taken by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the County, the Contractor shall receive the amounts due for all work performed and accepted by the County pursuant to the Agreement through the date of termination. In addition, the parties may negotiate reasonable termination costs actually incurred by the Contractor as a direct result of the termination.

#### B. Termination for Cause

In the event Contractor fails to perform one or more of its obligations pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement, is adjudged bankrupt, or fails to comply with any law, regulation, or ordinance applicable to Contractor's performance, the County may terminate this Agreement for cause. However, prior to terminating for cause, the County shall provide Contractor an opportunity to cure its performance by providing a written notice to cure. In the event, Contractor fails to cure its performance within the time period provided in the cure notice, the Contractor shall be notified that the Contract is terminated effective immediately. The Contractor shall reimburse the County for all damages incurred by the County as a result of Contractor's failure to perform pursuant to the terms of the Agreement including, but not

limited to, County's purchase of items/services of comparable quality and quantity in the open market to replace the undelivered or rejected items/services. In the event that there is a balance the County owes to the Contractor from under the Agreement or from prior transactions, an amount equal to the additional expense incurred by the County as a result of the Contractor's nonperformance shall be deducted from the balance as payment. The Contractor shall not be entitled to termination costs.

# C. <u>Termination Due to Unavailability of Funds in Succeeding Fiscal Years</u> If funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of the performance of this Agreement in a subsequent

continuation of the performance of this Agreement in a subsequent fiscal year, then the Agreement shall be canceled and, to the extent permitted by law, the Contractor shall be reimbursed for the reasonable value of any non-recurring costs incurred but not amortized in the price of the supplies or services delivered under the Agreement.

## 5.23 Contractual Disputes \*

The Contractor shall give written notice to the Purchasing Agent of its intent to file a claim for money or other relief within ten (10) calendar days of the occurrence giving rise to the claim or at the beginning of the work upon which the claim is to be based, whichever is earlier. Contractor's failure to provide timely notice of a claim will be deemed a waiver of that claim.

The claim, with supporting documentation, shall be submitted to the Purchasing Agent by US Mail, courier, or overnight delivery service, no later than sixty (60) days after final payment. If the claim is not disposed of by agreement, the Purchasing Agent shall reduce his/her decision to writing and mail or otherwise forward a copy thereof to the Contractor within thirty (30) days of the County's receipt of the claim.

The Purchasing Agent's decision shall be final unless the Contractor appeals within thirty (30) days by submitting a written letter of appeal to the County Administrator, or his designee. The County Administrator shall render a decision within sixty (60) days of receipt of the appeal.

No Contractor shall institute any legal action until all statutory requirements have been met. Each party shall bear its own costs and expenses resulting from any litigation, including attorney's fees.

## 5.24 Severability \*

In the event that any provision shall be adjudged or decreed to be invalid, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not invalidate the entire Agreement but shall pertain only to the provision in question and the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid, binding and in full force and effect.

## 5.25 Governing Law/Forum \*

This Agreement shall be governed and construed in all respects by its terms and by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any judicial action shall be filed in the Commonwealth of Virginia, County of Loudoun. Contractor expressly waives any objection to venue or jurisdiction of the Loudoun County Circuit Court, Loudoun County, Virginia. Contractor expressly consents to waiver of service of process in an action pending in the Loudoun County Circuit Court pursuant to Virginia Code Section 8.01-286.1.

#### 5.26 Notices

All notices and other communications hereunder shall be deemed to have been given when made in writing and either (a) delivered in person, (b) delivered to an agent, such as an overnight or similar delivery service, or (c) deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, certified or registered, addressed as follows:

#### TO CONTRACTOR:

#### TO COUNTY:

For option (a) and (b)
County of Loudoun, Virginia
Division of Procurement
1 Harrison Street, SE, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor
Leesburg, VA 20175
Attn: Kathleen R. Armstrong

For Option (c)
County of Loudoun, Virginia
P.O. Box 7000
Leesburg, VA 20177
Attn: Kathleen R. Armstrong

Notice is deemed to have been received: (i) on the date of delivery if delivered in person; (ii) on the first business day after the date of delivery if sent by same day or overnight courier service; or (iii) on the third business day after the date of mailing, if sent by certified or registered United States Mail, return receipt requested, postage and charges prepaid.

#### 5.27 Licensure

To the extent required by the Commonwealth of Virginia (see e.g. 54.1-1100 et seq. of the Code of Virginia) or the County, the Contractor shall be duly licensed to perform the services required to be delivered pursuant to this Contract.

## 5.28 Authority to Transact Business in Virginia \*

A Contractor organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized to transact business in the

Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law. Any business entity described herein that enters into an Agreement with the County pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act 2.2-4300 et seq. shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth, if so required under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia, to be revoked or cancelled at any time during the term of the Agreement. The County may void any Agreement with a business entity if the business entity fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.

## 5.29 No Smoking

In additional to no smoking while providing services to County clients, smoking in all County buildings is prohibited. The County may designate a smoking area outside County facilities. Contractor shall only use those designated smoking areas. Certain County facilities, both inside and outside, may be entirely smoke free. Contractor shall inquire of the Contract Administrator or designee if a facility is entirely smoke free. Failure to adhere to the County's no smoking policies may lead to removal of Contractor employees and possible Contract termination.

## 5.30 Background Checks

The Contractor shall obtain background checks on all personnel who will be assigned to perform under this Agreement. Required checks include:

- A. Child Protective Services (CPS) background check
- B. National criminal background check

All background checks MUST be completed, have a "clear" status and shall be submitted to the County Contract Manager before any personnel can commence work.

The Contractor should have enough qualified people with current background checks so as to be able to provide a replacement within twenty-four (24) hours. It is recommended that the Contractor keep on file with the County Contract Manager a list of persons supporting this program so that replacements can be quickly made. Should a replacement take longer than twenty-four (24) hours, this may be cause for termination of the Agreement. Should the Contractor assign someone who has not had a background check, that person will be removed from the providing services under this Agreement and the Contractor may not bill the County for any hours worked.

No one with a felony conviction may be employed under this Agreement. The Contractor MUST remove any employee from County service who is convicted of a felony during his or her employment.

After initial background checks have been made, they must be done annually for any person performing under this Agreement after one (1) year.

Failure to obtain background checks as specified can result in termination of the Agreement.

## 5.31 Confidentiality

A. Contractor Confidentiality

The Contractor acknowledges and understands that its employees may have access to proprietary, business information, or other confidential information belonging to the County of Loudoun. Therefore, except as required by law, the Contractor agrees that its employees will not:

- 1. Access or attempt to access data that is unrelated to their job duties or authorizations as related to this Agreement.
- 2. Access or attempt to access information beyond their stated authorization.
- 3. Disclose to any other person or allow any other person access to any information related to the County or any of its facilities or any other user of this Agreement that is proprietary or confidential. Disclosure of information includes, but is not limited to, verbal discussions, FAX transmissions, electronic mail messages, voice mail communication, written documentation, "loaning" computer access codes and/or another transmission or sharing of data.

The Contractor understands that the County, or others may suffer irreparable harm by disclosure of proprietary or confidential information and that the County may seek legal remedies available to it should such disclosure occur. Further, the Contractor understands that violations of this provision may result in termination of the Agreement.

The Contractor understands that information and data obtained during the performance of this agreement shall be considered confidential, during and following the term of this Agreement, and will not be divulged without the Purchasing Agent's written consent and then only in strict accordance with prevailing laws. The Contractor shall hold all information provided by the County as proprietary and confidential, and shall make no unauthorized reproduction or distribution of such material.

The Contractor will be required to comply with all applicable statutory federal and Virginia law provisions and regulations with regard to disclosure or use of health records obtained during the performance of this Agreement. Contractor will be required to sign a Business Associates Agreement at Attachment 3 in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

## B. County Confidentiality

In addition, the County understands that certain information provided by the Contractor during the performance of this Agreement may also contain confidential or proprietary information. All information will be maintained in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

#### 5.32 Counterparts

This Agreement and any amendments or renewals hereto may be executed in a number of counterparts, and each counterpart signature, when taken with the other counterpart signatures, is treated as if executed upon one original of this Agreement or any amendment or renewal. A signature by any party to this contract provided by facsimile or electronic mail is binding upon that party as if it were the original.

## 5.33 Force Majeure

A party is not liable for failure to perform the party's obligations if such failure is as a result of Acts of God (including fire, flood, earthquake, storm, hurricane or other natural disaster), war, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (regardless of whether war is declared), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power or confiscation, terrorist activities, nationalization, government sanction, blockage, embargo, strikes at national level or industrial disputes at a national level, or strike or industrial disputes by labor not employed by the affected party, its subcontractors or its suppliers and which affect an essential portion of the contracted for works but excluding any industrial dispute which is specific to the performance of the works or this contract, interruption or failure of electricity or telephone service.

If a party asserts Force Majeure as an excuse for failure to perform the party's obligation, that party must immediately notify the other party giving full particulars of the event of force majeure and the reasons for the event of force majeure preventing that party from, or delaying that party in performing its obligations under this contract and that party must use its reasonable efforts to mitigate the effect of the event of force majeure upon its or their performance of the contract and to fulfill its or their obligations under the contract.

An event of force majeure does not relieve a party from liability for an obligation which arose before the occurrence of that event, nor does that event affect the obligation to pay money in a timely manner which matured prior to the occurrence of that event.

The Contractor has no entitlement and County has no liability for: (1) any costs, losses, expenses, damages or the payment of any part of the contract price during an event of force majeure; and (2) any delay costs in any way incurred by the contractor due to an event of force majeure.

## 5.34 Survival of Terms

Upon discharge of this Agreement, Sections (Notice, Hold Harmless, Governing Law/Forum, Contractual Disputes) of these Terms and Conditions continue and survive in full force and effect.

## 5.35 Non-Waiver

No waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other provision nor shall any waiver of this Agreement constitute a continuing waiver unless otherwise expressly provided.

## 5.36 Quantities

The quantities specified in this Agreement are estimated only. They may not indicate the actual quantity which will be ordered, since such volume will depend upon requirements which develop during the Agreement period.

Quantities shown shall not be construed to represent any amount which the County shall be obligated to purchase under the Agreement, or relieve the Contractor of its obligation to fill all orders placed by the County.

#### 6.0 EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS: SELECTION FACTORS

The criteria set forth below will be used in the receipt of proposals and selection of the successful offeror.

The County Proposal Analysis Group (PAG) will review and evaluate each proposal and selection will be made on the basis of the criteria listed below. The offerors submitting proposals shall include with that proposal statements on the following:

- A. Credentials and related experience as well as ability to effectively provide on demand transportation services to the County. (25 points)
- B. Response time during normal and non-business hours. (20 points)
- C. Policy or operational limitations, which could affect service delivery or availability. (15 points)
- C. Cost of services. (35 points)
- D. Compliance with Contract terms and conditions per Section 5.0. (5 points)

The PAG will collectively develop a composite rating which indicates the group's collective ranking of the highest rated proposals in a descending order. The PAG may then conduct interviews with <u>only</u> the top ranked offerors, usually the top two (2) or three (3) depending upon the number of proposals received. Negotiations shall be conducted with offerors so selected. The PAG may request a Best and Final Offer(s) (BAFO) and/or make a recommendation for the Contract award.

#### 7.0 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORMAT

The offeror's proposal shall include qualifications and understanding of the work to be performed. Offerors shall address each of the specific evaluation criteria listed below, in the following order. Failure to include any of the requested

information may be cause for the proposal to be considered nonresponsive and rejected.

- 7.1 <u>Credentials and related experience as well as ability to effectively provide on demand transportation services to the County:</u>
  - A. Describe your firm's level of experience in providing on demand transportation services to clients with special needs.
  - B. Provide at least three (3) references for which current comparable work has been performed. This list shall include company name, person to contact, address, e-mail, telephone number. Also, provide a brief description of the services provided.
  - C. Provide an inventory of the number and types of vehicles owned or leased that would be available for this contract. As part of the inventory list, include make, model, year, mileage and description of the vehicles. How many vehicles are handicapped accessible?

## 7.2 Response time during normal and non-business hours:

- A. What is the normal response time after notification from the County for both normal and non-business hours?
- B. Describe in your proposal how your firm will handle requests from the County.
- C. Provide a detailed schedule of your firm's availability to provide on demand transportation services to the County during normal business hours as well as during non-business hours.

## 7.3 Policy or operational limitations:

- A. Offerors should state clearly their own policy or operational limitations which could affect service delivery or availability.
- B. Offerors shall provide a copy of their firm's inclement weather policy.
- C. State your firm's ability to provide transportation of:
  - 1. Infants up to four (4) years old (requires car seat)
  - 2. Unaccompanied children
  - 3. Children accompanied by a parent or legal guardian
  - 4. Wheelchairs
  - 5. Adults requiring assistance

#### 7.4 Cost of Services

- A. Provide rate schedule (\*Attachment I, Transportation Rates Form) for trips with the following items addressed:
  - 1. Rate per mile
  - 2. "No show" charge

- 3. Wait charges
- 4. Rates for rides outside the County of Loudoun
- 5. Rates for non-business hours/emergencies
- 6. Rates for holidays
- 7. Additional Fees
- 8. Additional Charges
- B. Complete and submit the Transportation Scenario at Attachment 2.

# (\*FAILURE TO SUBMIT ATTACHMENT I and 2 WITH YOUR PROPOSAL WILL RESULT IN YOUR PROPOSAL BEING DEEMED NON-RESPONSIVE AND REJECTED.)

## 7.5 <u>Compliance with Contract Terms and Conditions</u>

State your firm's compliance with the Contract Terms and Conditions as listed in Section 5.0. Specifically list any deviations.

#### 8.0 INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS

Offerors are to make written proposals that present the offeror's qualifications and understanding of the work to be performed. Offerors shall address each of the specific evaluation criteria listed below, in the following order. Failure to include any of the requested information may be cause for the proposal to be considered nonresponsive and rejected.

## 8.1 <u>Preparation and Submission of Proposals</u>

- A. Before submitting a proposal, read the ENTIRE solicitation including the Contract Terms and Conditions. Failure to read any part of this solicitation will not relieve a bidder of the Contractual obligations.
- B. Pricing must be submitted in format provided at Attachment 1 and Attachment 2 Pricing Sheets. Include other information, as required.
- C. All proposal must be submitted to the Division of Procurement in a sealed container. The face of the sealed container shall indicate the RFP number, time and date of opening and the title of the RFP as well as "Division of Procurement".
- D. All proposals shall be signed in ink by the individual or authorized principals of the firm.
- E. All attachments to the RFP requiring execution by the offeror are to be returned with the proposals.
- F. Proposals must be received by the Division of Procurement prior to 4:00 p.m., local Atomic time on the cover of this RFP. The time can be verified by visiting <a href="https://time.gov/">https://time.gov/</a> and selecting Eastern Time. Requests for extensions of this time and date will not be granted, unless deemed to be in the County's best interest. Offerors mailing

their proposals or using a private carrier shall allow for sufficient mail time to ensure receipt of their bids by the Division of Procurement by the time and date fixed for acceptance of the bids. Do not rely on overnight delivery capabilities of private carriers to guarantee timely delivery of bids. Proposals or unsolicited amendments to proposals received by the County after the acceptance date and time will not be considered.

G. Proposals must be submitted via one of the following options:

#### US Mail to:

County of Loudoun, Virginia
Division of Procurement
PO Box 7000
Leesburg, Virginia 20177-7000;

or

Hand delivered to:

County of Loudoun, Virginia
Division of Procurement

1 Harrison Street, S.E., 1st Floor, Procurement Bids and
Proposals Drop Box

Leesburg, Virginia 20175.

or

Private carrier (UPS/FedEx) to:

Loudoun County Procurement 1 Harrison Street, S.E.,

## **ATTN: PROCUREMENT BIDS & PROPOSALS**

Leesburg, Virginia 20175

Faxed and e-mailed proposals will not be accepted.

Please note: Offerors choosing to submit proposals via US Mail or UPS/FedEx should allow at least an additional twenty-four (24) hours in the delivery process to ensure bids are received on time.

Due to restrictions surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, public access to County facilities is extremely limited. The mailing of bids is preferred. However, if a proposal is hand delivered, it will be received in the lobby of 1 Harrison Street, SE, Leesburg, VA 20175 ONLY in the Drop Box labeled: <u>Procurement Bids and Proposals</u> between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT THIS LOCATION PRIOR TO 4:00 P.M. on the Acceptance Date of the proposal in order to be considered. Proposals will not be accepted at any other building locations or after 4:00 P.M. Failure by an offeror to address and label their proposal in accordance with the

requirements of this section may result in proposal being delivered to an incorrect location which will ultimately result in proposal rejection for late submission.

H. Each firm shall submit one (1) original, 4 copies and *one electronic copy (in PDF format) on a USB flash drive* to the County's Division of Procurement as described herein.

## 8.2 Questions and Inquiries

Questions and inquiries, both oral and written, will be accepted from any and all offerors. However, when requested, complex oral questions shall be submitted in writing. The Division of Procurement is the sole point of contact for this solicitation unless otherwise instructed herein. Unauthorized contact with other Loudoun County staff regarding the RFP may result in the disqualification of the offeror. Inquiries pertaining to the RFP must give the RFP number, time and date of opening and the title of the RFP. Material questions will be answered in writing with an Addendum provided, however, that all questions are received by *noon April 13, 2021*. It is the responsibility of all offerors to ensure that they have received all Addendums and to include signed copies with their proposal. Addendums can be downloaded from www.loudoun.gov/procurement.

## 8.3 Firm Pricing for County Acceptance

Proposal pricing must be firm for County acceptance for a minimum of ninety (90) days from proposal receipt date. "Discount from list" proposals are not acceptable unless requested.

#### 8.4 Proprietary Information

Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an offeror in connection with this solicitation shall not be subject to disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, pursuant to § 2.2-4342 of the Code of Virginia, the offeror must invoke the protections of this section prior to or upon submission of the data or other materials, and must clearly identify the data or other materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. Failure to abide by this procedure may result in disclosure of the offeror's information. Offerors shall not mark sections of their proposal as proprietary if they are to be part of the award of the contract and are of a "Material" nature.

## 8.5 Authority to Bind Firm in Contract

Proposals MUST give full firm name and address of offeror. Failure to manually sign proposal may disqualify it. Person signing proposal will show TITLE or AUTHORITY TO BIND THE FIRM IN A CONTRACT. Firm name and authorized signature must appear on proposal in the space provided on the pricing page. Those authorized to sign are as follows:

If a sole proprietorship, the owner may sign.

If a general partnership, any general partner may sign.

If a limited partnership, a general partner must sign.

If a limited liability company, a "member" may sign or "manager" must sign if so specified by the articles or organization.

If a regular corporation, the CEO, President or Vice-President must sign. Others may be granted authority to sign but the County requires that a corporate document authorizing him/her to sign be submitted with proposal.

## 8.6 Withdrawal of Proposals

- A. All proposals submitted shall be valid for a minimum period of ninety (90) calendar days following the date established for acceptance.
- B. Proposals may be withdrawn on written request from the offeror at the address shown in the solicitation <u>prior to</u> the time of acceptance.
- C. Negligence on the part of the offeror in preparing the proposal confers no right of withdrawal after the time fixed for the acceptance of the proposals.

## 8.7 County Furnished Support/Items

The estimated level of support required from County personnel for the completion of each task shall be itemized by position and man days.

The offeror shall indicate the necessary telephones, office space and materials the offeror requires. The County may furnish these facilities if the County considers them reasonable, necessary, and available for the Contractor to complete his task.

## 8.8 Subcontractors

Offerors shall include a list of all subcontractors with their proposal. Proposals shall also include a statement of the subcontractors' qualifications. The County reserves the right to reject the successful offeror's selection of subcontractors for good cause. If a subcontractor is rejected the offeror may replace that subcontractor with another subcontractor subject to the approval of the County. Any such replacement shall be at no additional expense to the County nor shall it result in an extension of time without the County's approval.

## 8.9 References

All offerors shall include with their proposals, a list of at least three (3) current references for whom <u>comparable</u> work has been performed. This list shall include company name, person to contact, address, telephone number, fax number, e-mail address, and the nature of the work performed. Failure to include references shall be cause for rejection of proposal as non-responsible. Offeror hereby releases listed references from all claims and liability for damages that result from the information provided by the reference.

## 8.10 Use of Brand Names

Unless otherwise provided in a Request for Proposal, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict offerors to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named; it conveys the general style, type, character,

and quality of the article desired, and any article which the County, in its sole discretion, determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted. Any catalog, brand name or manufacturer's reference used in the RFP is descriptive -- NOT restrictive – it is to indicate type and quality desired. Proposals on brands of like nature and quality will be considered. If offering on other than reference or specifications, proposal must show manufacturer, brand or trade name, catalog number, etc., of article offered. If other than brand(s) specified is offered, illustrations and complete description must be submitted with proposal. Samples may be required. If offeror makes no other offer and takes no exception to specifications or reference data, he will be required to furnish brand names, numbers, etc., as specified. Offerors must certify that item(s) offered meet and/or exceed specifications.

## 8.11 Late Proposals

LATE proposals will be returned to offeror UNOPENED, if RFP number, acceptance date and offeror's return address is shown on the container.

## 8.12 Rights of County

The County reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any proposal, waive informalities, and award the contract to best serve the interest of the County. Informality shall mean a minor defect or variation of a proposal from the exact requirements of the Request for Proposal which does not affect the price, quality, quantity, or delivery schedule for the goods, services or construction being procured.

## 8.13 Prohibition as Subcontractors

No offeror who is permitted to withdraw a proposal shall, for compensation, supply any material or labor to or perform any subcontract or other work agreement for the person or firm to whom the contract is awarded or otherwise benefit, directly or indirectly, from the performance of the project for which the withdrawn proposal was submitted.

#### 8.14 Proposed Changes to Scope of Services

If there is any deviation from that prescribed in the Scope of Services, the appropriate line in the scope of services shall be ruled out and the substitution clearly indicated. The County reserves the right to accept or reject any proposed change to the scope.

## 8.15 Work Plan

The offeror must provide a detailed work plan in calendar days describing the individual tasks to be performed and the relative scheduling of those tasks including a detailed listing of County and offeror resources, according to skill level. All deliverable items should be identified and described.

## 8.16 Miscellaneous Requirements

- A. The County will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by an offeror in preparing and submitting a proposal. All proposals shall provide a straight-forward, concise delineation of the offeror's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of this request. Emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content.
- B. Offerors who submit a proposal in response to this RFP may be required to make an oral presentation of their proposal. The Division of Procurement will schedule the time and location for this presentation.
- C. Selected contents of the proposal submitted by the successful offeror and this RFP will become part of any contract awarded as a result of the Scope of Services contained herein. The successful offeror will be expected to sign a contract with the County.
- D. The County reserves the right to reject any and all proposals received by reason of this request, or to negotiate separately in any manner necessary to serve the best interests of the County. Offerors whose proposals are not accepted will be notified in writing.

## 8.17 Notice of Award

A Notice of Award will be posted on the County's web site (<u>www.loudoun.gov</u>) and on the bulletin board located in the Division of Procurement, 4th floor, One Harrison St, SE, Leesburg, Virginia 20175.

#### 8.18 Protest

Offerors may refer to §§ 2.2-4357 through 2.2-4364 of the Code of Virginia to determine their remedies concerning this competitive process. Protests shall be submitted to the Director, Finance and Budget.

#### 8.19 Debarment

By submitting a proposal, the offeror is certifying that offeror is not currently debarred by the County, or in a procurement involving federal funds, by the Federal Government. A copy of the County's debarment procedure in accordance with § 2.2-4321 of the Code of Virginia is available upon request.

## 8.20 Proof of Authority to Transact Business in Virginia

An offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia shall include in its bid or proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission. Any offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law shall include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the offeror is not required to be so authorized. Any offeror described herein that fails to provide the required information shall not receive an

award unless a waiver of this requirement and the administrative policies and procedures established to implement this section is granted by the Purchasing Agent or his designee. The SCC may be reached at (804) 371-9733 or at http://www.scc.virginia.gov/default.aspx.

## 8.21 <u>Cooperative Procurement</u>

As authorized in § 2.2-4304 of the Code of Virginia, this procurement is being conducted on behalf of and may be used by public bodies, agencies, institutions and localities of the several states, territories of the United States, and the District of Columbia with the consent of the Contractor.

## 8.22 W-9 Form Required

Each offeror shall submit a completed W-9 form with their proposal. In the event of contract award, this information is required in order to issue purchase orders and payments to your firm. A copy of this form can be downloaded from <a href="http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf">http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf</a>.

## 8.23 Insurance Coverage

Offerors shall include with their proposal a copy of their current Certificate of Insurance that illustrates the current level of coverage the offeror carries. The Certificate can be a current file copy and does not need to include any "additional insured" language for the County.

#### 8.24 <u>Legal Action</u>

No offeror or potential offeror shall institute any legal action until all statutory requirements have been met.

## 8.25 <u>Certification by Contractor as to Felony Convictions</u>

No one with a felony conviction may be employed under this Contract and by the signature of its authorized official on the response to this Solicitation, the Contractor certifies that neither the contracting official nor any of the Contractor's employees, agents or subcontractors who will work under this Agreement have been convicted of a felony.

#### 8.26 Background Checks

Offeror must have a "CLEAR" status for the Child Protective Services (CPS) background check and the national criminal background check. Copies must be included in the proposal submission.

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Department of Finance and Budget Division of Procurement 1 Harrison Street, S.E., 4th Floor, Leesburg, VA 20175

#### **PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORMS** 9.0 **ON-DEMAND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

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<b>A</b> .		n the following with your proposal. If offerosal, items shall be provided within twenty-fing.		
			INCLUDED: (X)	
C.	Failure to provide the following items with your proposal shall be cause for rejection of proposal as non-responsive and/or non-responsible. It is the responsibility of the offeror to ensure that it has received all addenda and to include signed copies with their proposal.			
	ITEM		INCLUDED: (X)	
	1. 2. 3.	Addenda, if any: Payment Terms: Proof of Authority to Transact Business in Virginia Form (8.20):	net 30 orOther	
	4.	Minimum Qualification Documentation (4.0):		

5.	References (8.9):		
Person to co	ntact regarding this proposal:		
Title <u>:</u>	Phone:	Fax:	
E-mail:			
Name of per	son authorized to bind the Firm (8.5):		
Signature:		Date:	

By signing and submitting a proposal, your firm acknowledges and agrees that it has read and understands the RFP documents.

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# PROOF OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN VIRGINIA

## THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH YOUR BID/PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO INCLUDE THIS FORM SHALL RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR BID/PROPOSAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-4311.2, a bidder/offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia shall include in its bid/ proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission ("SCC"). Any bidder/offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law shall include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the offeror is not required to be so authorized. Any bidder/offeror described herein that fails to provide the required information shall not receive an award unless a waiver of this requirement and the administrative policies and procedures established to implement this section is granted by the Purchasing Agent or his designee.

If this bid/proposal for goods or services is accepted by the County of Loudoun, Virginia, the undersigned agrees that the requirements of the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-4311.2 have been met.

Please complete the following by checking the appropriate line that applies and providing the requested information. PLEASE NOTE: The SCC number is NOT your federal ID number or business license number.

A.\_\_\_\_\_\_ Bidder/offeror is a Virginia business entity organized and authorized to transact business in Virginia by the SCC and such bidder's/offeror's Identification Number issued to it by the SCC is

B.\_\_\_\_\_ Bidder/offeror is an out-of-state (foreign) business entity that is authorized to transact business in Virginia by the SCC and such bidder's/offeror's Identification Number issued to it by the SCC is

C.\_\_\_\_\_ Bidder/offeror does not have an Identification Number issued to it by the SCC and such bidder/offeror is not required to be authorized to transact business in Virginia by the SCC for the following reason(s):

Please attach additional sheets of paper if you need to explain why such bidder/offeror is not required to be authorized to transact business in Virginia.

Legal Name of Company (as listed on W-9)

Legal Name of Bidder/Offeror

Date

Authorized Signature

## HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL?

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Please take the time to mark the appropriate line and return with your proposal.

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☐ Dodge Reports	Reed Construction Data		
	☐ Tempos Del Mundo		
☐ India This Week	☐ Valley Construction News		
LS Caldwell & Associates	☐ Virginia Business Opportunities		
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#### **Cooperative Rider Clause**

The Mid-Atlantic Purchasing Team (MAPT) is the agreement between the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments ("MWCOG") and the Baltimore Metropolitan Council ("BMC") to aggregate the public entity and non-profit purchasing volumes in the Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C. region ("region").

#### **Format**

A lead agency format is used to accomplish this work. The Lead Agency in this procurement has included this MAPT Cooperative Rider Clause in this solicitation indicating its willingness to allow other public entities to participate pursuant to the following Terms and Conditions:

#### 1. Terms

- a. Participating entities, through their use of the Cooperative Rider Clause, agree to the terms and conditions of the resulting contract to the extent that they can be reasonably applied to the participating entity.
- b. Participating entities may also negotiate additional terms and conditions specific to their local requirements upon mutual agreement between the parties.

#### 2. Other Conditions - Contract and Reporting

- 1. The contract resulting from this solicitation shall be governed by and "construed in accordance with the laws of the State/jurisdiction in which the participating entity officially is located;
- To provide to MWCOG and/or BMC contract usage reporting information, including but not limited to quantity, unit pricing and total volume of sales by entity, as well reporting other participating entities added on the contract, on demand and without further approval of contract participants;
- 3. Contract obligations rest solely with the participating entities only:
- 4. Significant changes in total contract value may result in further negotiations of contract pricing with the lead agency and participating entities.

In pricing and other conditions, vendors are urged to consider the broad reach and appeal of MAPT with public and non-profit entities in this region.

A list of the participating members of the Mid-Atlantic Purchasing Team can be found at the following web links <a href="www.mwcog.org/purchasing-and-bids/cooperative-purchasing/member-links/">www.mwcog.org/purchasing-and-bids/cooperative-purchasing/member-links/</a> and <a href="http://www.baltometro.org/our-work/cooperative-purchasing/brcpc-representatives">http://www.baltometro.org/our-work/cooperative-purchasing/brcpc-representatives</a>

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# **ON-DEMAND TRANSPORTATION RATES**

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RATES	COST					
Per mile	\$					
"No show" charge	\$					
Wait Charges (per minute)	\$					
Transportation outside of the County	\$					
Non-Business hours/Emergencies	\$					
Weekends	\$					
Holidays	\$					
Other applicable charges not identified in the RFP						
Other	\$					
Other	\$					

# **ATTACHMENT 2 PRICING SHEET FOR** TRANSPORTATION SCENARIOS ON-DEMAND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES RFP RFQ 373784 Page 39 of 46

1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Compreh Breakdo Cos	own of
Route:		•	Leesburg, VA 20 <sup>,</sup> Cornwall Street, N		VA 20176				
Clients:	Adult Whee	Ichair Rider (On	Γhursday, no erro	r but Rider brin	ıgs a familia	al companion.)			
Pickup		5:00 a.m. H to D		5:00 a.m. H to D		8:00 a.m. H to D		\$	
Return		9:30 a.m. D to H		9:30 a.m. D to H				\$	
	vendor's wai	t time exceed 15 minu	ites at H pickup			8 AM pick up -waite	ed/no show	\$	
Costs:		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$	-

Doctor =	KEY	
Home = Appointment =	me = H	

2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Comprehensive Breakdown of Costs
Route:	Home: Eva Appointment	_	e, Leesburg, VA 2 ackson Mem Hwy		033			
Clients:	Adult Wheeld	chair Rider						
Pickup	8:00 a.m. D to H	8:00 a.m. D to H	8:00 a.m. D to H	8:00 a.m. D to H	8:00 a.m. D to H			\$
Return	11:45 a.m. H to D	11:45 a.m. H to D	11:45 a.m. H to D	11:45 a.m. H to D	11:45 a.m. H to D			\$
		heavy traffic delayed arrival to doo	ctors	extremely	Rider experience bad customer se complaint to th	ervice that		\$
Costs:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -

3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Comprehensive Breakdown of Costs
Route:	Home: 100 Appointment							
Clients:	Abulatory C	lient- Dialysis						
Pickup	8:00 a.m. A		8:00 a.m. A		8:00 a.m. A			\$
Return	1:00 p.m. H		1:00 p.m. H		1:00 p.m. H			\$
Costs:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -

4	HOLIDAY Monday	- Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Comprehensive Breakdown of Costs
Route:		ternut Way, Sterling 5 Filigree Court, Asl		7				
Clients:	Ambulator	y Client						
Pickup	2:00 p.m. A	2:00 p.m. A		4:30 p.m. A				\$
Return	5:30 p.m. H	5:30 p.m. H		7:30 p.m. H				\$
	holiday	On Tuesday, Rider n						\$
Costs:		seat.	lids a Cal					\$ -

5	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Comprehensive Breakdown of Costs
Route:	Home: Butternut Way, Sterling, VA 20164 Doctor Appointment: University of Virginia (UVA) medical Campus							
Clients:	Ambulatory	Client						
Pickup		9:30 a.m. A						\$
Return		1:00 p.m. H						\$
								\$
Costs:		\$ -						\$ -

## **ATTACHMENT 3**

# HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA) BUSINESS ASSOCIATES AGREEMENT



### COUNTY OF LOUDOUN, VIRGINIA HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT

This BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT (the "BA Agreement") is made as of the (Enter
day) of (Enter month, year) by and between the County of Loudoun,
Virginia (herein referred to as "Covered Entity" or "County") and (Enter Entity name)
(herein referred to as "Business Associate") and is hereby incorporated into and is subject to the
Agreement for Services (the herein referred to as "Agreement for Services") between the parties
with an effective date of

The County is a single legal entity that is a "Covered Entity" and has designated itself as a "Hybrid Entity" with the **Department of Family Service, Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services, and Health Department** as a **health care component** within the County's Hybrid Entity.

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) rules require that the County and a Business Associate enter into a BA Agreement that contains specific requirements relating to the use or disclosure and of protected health information by the Business Associate. This BA Agreement is intended to ensure that the Business Associate will establish and implement appropriate and reasonable safeguards for protected health information pursuant to the requirements of the HIPAA Rules and any other law or regulation related to protected health information. Except as otherwise limited in this BA Agreement, the Business Associate may use or disclose protected health information to perform for, or on behalf of, the County the functions provided herein so long as such use or disclosure would not violate the HIPAA rules if done so by the County.

#### 1. Definitions:

The following terms in this BA Agreement shall have the same meaning as the terms in the HIPAA Rules: Breach, Data Aggregation, Designated Record Set, Disclosure, Health Care Operations, Individual, Minimum Necessary, Notice of Privacy Practices, Protected Health Information, Required by Law, Secretary, Security Incident, Subcontractor, Unsecured Protected Health Information, and Use.

As used in this BA Agreement, the terms below will have the following meanings:

**Business Associate**. "Business Associate" shall generally have the same meaning as the term "business associate" at 45 CFR §160.103. For purposes of this BA Agreement, the "Business Associate" will be the entity with which the County is entering into this BA Agreement.

**Covered Entity**. "Covered Entity" shall generally have the same meaning as the term "covered entity" at 45 CFR §160.103. For purposes of this BA Agreement, the "Covered Entity" is the County.

**Electronic Health Record (EHR).** Electronic Health Record means the digital version of the individuals served paper chart.

**HIPAA Rules**. "HIPAA Rules" mean the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 CFR Parts160 and 164.

#### 2. Obligations and Activities of Business Associate:

- (a) Business Associate agrees to not use or disclose protected health information other than as permitted or required by this BA Agreement or as required by law.
- (b) Business Associate agrees to use appropriate safeguards to prevent the use or disclosure of protected health information other than as provided for in this BA Agreement or as required by law.
- (c) Business Associate agrees to provide HIPAA training to employees and subcontractors on applicable policies and procedures and HIPAA requirements and provide documentation upon request:
  - i. Business Associate's HIPAA Policies and Procedures (including policies regarding transmitting and transporting PHI).
  - ii. Documentation which indicates each of the agency's employees and subcontractors working with Loudoun County Protected Health Information have been trained on applicable policies and procedures.
- (d) Business Associate agrees to provide the County with documentation as requested reflecting the Business Associates' and its subcontractors' compliance with and enforcement of HIPAA. The documentation requested may include but is not limited to policies and procedures, trainings, audits and breach investigations. When the County makes a request of this documentation, the Business Associate agrees to provide the documentation within 5 business days.
- (e) Business Associate agrees to provide the County with the name and contact information for the business associates' and its subcontractors' Privacy and Security Officer(s). Further, business associate agrees to provide the County a 24 hour emergency contact.
- (f) Business Associate agree to ensure completion of it or its subcontractor's agents of any needed training or HIPAA policy updates within 30 days of the county requesting trainings and/or policy updates.
- (g) Business Associate agrees to comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic protected health information to prevent the use or disclosure of protected health information other than as provided for in this BA Agreement or as required by law.

- (h) Business Associate agrees to report to the County within 5 calendar days any use or disclosure not provided for by this BA Agreement of which it becomes aware, including breaches of unsecured protected health information as required at 45 CFR §164.410, and any security incident which involves protected health information of which it becomes aware. Notification shall be in writing and submitted to the County Contract Manager. The notification must include as much of the following information as is known:
  - i. Date of Potential Breach
  - ii. Date of Potential Breach discovery
  - iii. Number of individuals whose PHI may have been involved.
  - iv. Names of individuals whose PHI may have been involved.
  - v. To whom the information was disclosed.
  - vi. Circumstances of the potential breech (how the information was disclosed?)
  - vii. Any Mitigating actions taken to protect the information
  - viii. Name, Position and Contact information of primary contact for investigation
- (i) Business Associate agrees to provide the County with the identity of each individual whose unsecured protected health information has been, or is reasonably believed to have been, breached within 10 calendar days of the discovery of a potential breach. Business Associate agrees to provide other available information that the County needs in order for the County to provide notification to individuals affected by the breach, the Health and Human Services Office of Human Rights and, if required by law, the media.
- (j) Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent commercially practicable and as required by law, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a use or disclosure of protected health information by the Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this BA Agreement.
- (k) Business Associate agrees to ensure, in accordance with 45 CFR §164.502(e)(1)(ii) and §164.308(b)(2), that any agent including subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, or transmit protected health information behalf of the Business Associate agree to the same restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to the Business Associate with respect to such information.
- (l) Business Associate agrees than any agent including subcontractors that create, receive, maintain or transmit protected health information on behalf of the Business Associate shall preform such practices in areas wherein HIPAA is enforced. (Not out of US and its territories)
- (m) Business Associate agrees to forward an individual or individual's designee's request to access information in the designated record set to the County within 5 calendar days as necessary to satisfy the County's obligations under 45 CFR §164.524 and, if applicable, VA Code 32.1 -127.1:03(D)(1).
- (n) Business Associate agrees to make any amendment(s) to protected health information in a designated record set as directed by the County in order to satisfy the County's obligations pursuant to 45 CFR §164.526. Business Associate agrees to forward an individual or

- individual's designee's request to amend information in a designated record set to the County within 5 calendar days.
- (o) Business Associate agrees to document and maintain all information required to provide an accounting of disclosures to an individual or individual's designee as necessary to satisfy the County's obligations under 45 CFR §164.528. Business Associate agrees to provide such accounting of disclosures to the County within 30 calendar days of the request.
- (p) Business Associate agrees to comply with the requirements set out in Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164 if Business Associate is performing a function for the County for which compliance with Subpart E is required.
- (q) Should the US Department of Health and Human Services request information in the possession of the Business Associate, the Business Associate shall make such information available to the County or directly to the US Department of Health and Human Services as indicted in the request.

#### 3. Permitted <u>Uses and Disclosures by Business Associate</u>:

- (a) Business Associate may only use or disclose protected health information as necessary to perform the following functions, activities, or services for, or on behalf of, the County **On Demand Transportation Services** provided that such use or disclosure does not violate the HIPAA Rules if done so by the County.
- (b) Business Associate may use or disclose protected health information as required by law.
- (c) Business Associate agrees to make uses and disclosures and requests for protected health information subject to the following minimum necessary requirements:
  - i. Only use or disclose the minimum amount of protected health information that is necessary to perform a function, activity, or service for, or on behalf of, the County; and
  - ii. Only allow employees of the Business Associate access to protected health information if such access is necessary to perform a function, activity, or service for, or on behalf of, the County.
- (d) Business Associate may not use or disclose protected health information in a manner that would violate Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164 if done by the County except for the specific uses and disclosures set forth in (e) below.
- (e) Business Associate may use protected health information for the proper management and administration of Business Associate or to carry out the legal responsibilities of Business Associate provide that such use or disclosure is required or permitted by law.
- (f) If the obligations of the Business Associate under this BA Agreement require data aggregation services, the Business Associate may provide such services.

4.	Term	:

(a) Term: This BA Agreement shall be effective as of \_\_\_\_\_\_and shall terminate as of the termination of the Agreement for Services or on the date the County terminates for cause provided herein, whichever is earlier.

#### 5. Termination:

- (a) Termination for Cause: If the County determines that Business Associate has violated a material term of this BA Agreement then the County shall, at the County's discretion, either i) provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the violation, or ii) terminate this BA Agreement.
- (b) Obligation of Business Associate Upon Termination:
  - i. Upon termination of this BA Agreement for any reason, Business Associate, with respect to protected health information received from the County, or created, maintained, or received by Business Associate on behalf of the County, shall:
    - 1. Retain only that protected health information that is necessary for Business Associate to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities;
    - 2. Return to the County the remaining protected health information;
    - 3. Continue to use appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic protected health information to prevent use or disclosure of the protected health information, other than as provided in this section, for as long as Business Associate retrains the protected health information;
    - 4. Not use or disclose the protected health information retained by Business Associate other than for the purposes for which such protected health information was retained and subject to the same conditions set out at (e) under Permitted Uses and Disclosures by Business Associate which applied prior to termination; and
    - 5. Return to the County the protected health information retained by Business Associate when it is no longer needed by Business Associate for its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities.
- (c) Survival: The obligations of Business Associate under this section shall survive the termination of this BA Agreement.

#### 6. Miscellaneous:

- (a) Regulatory References: The parties agree to be bound by those provisions of the HIPAA Rules specifically referenced as in effect or as amended.
- (b) Amendment: The Parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this BA Agreement from time to time as may be necessary for compliance with the requirements of the HIPAA Rules and any other applicable law or regulation.
- (c) Interpretation: Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be interpreted to permit compliance with the HIPAA Rules.

Each party has caused this agreement to be executed on its behalf by its authorized representative as indicated below:

Business Associate:	County:
<b>Entity Name</b>	<b>Department of Family Services</b>
Address	102 Heritage Way NE UNIT 103
Address	Leesburg, VA 20176
Phone number	Phone Number
Contact name	Contact name

Agreed:	Date:
[Insert Signature Authority Name]	
Title: [Insert Title]	
Agreed: Ina Fernandez, Director Family Serv	Date:
Title: <u>Director of Family Services</u>	
**Original retained at the Procurement Office Copy to <b>Department of Family Services</b>	